Cooler: occasional rains.

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This is about the price we have named for some broken lines and odds and ends in Men's and Boys' Straw Hats. The former prices on these Hats ranged from \$1 to \$2.50, but to

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MURPHY, HIBBEN & CO.

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AND SCHOOL BONDS.

WE WILL JELL AT PAR.

CAMPBELL, WILD & CO.,

205 TRUST BUILDING.

valley alone is \$50,000. At Marietta, O.

where the Muskingum empties into the

Front street. All the railroads entering the

the flood did much damage to bridges and

At Athens, O., trains on the Hocking

Valley and the Ohio Central railways are

from three to four hours late on account

river are rising rapidly, causing much dam-

been washed away near Corning.

of high water. Sunday creek and Hocking

In and about Zanesville, O., 2.51 inches

of water fell last night. The Muskingum

river it at a twenty-foot stage. The Bellaire,

most seriously, but the other five railroads suffered to the extent of thousands of doi-

At Springfield, O., there was a cloud-burst last night and everything is flooded

The people in the east end are moving up-

stairs on accountt of the overflow of Buck

creek. Front and North streets are partly

under water. A crowd of young campers

at Redmond's mill have been perched in the

trees all night. Eight blocks in the city are flooded. East High street is unsafe,

the street cars are all stopped. The Ohio

it is impossible to get out trains. Mill run

Lima, O., reports that an engine and

twenty-three freight cars on the C., H. &

Damages Will Be Heavy.

patches show that the damages from

flood and washouts during the past

twenty-four hours in West Virginia and

southeastern Ohio is almost beyond esti

mation. There was not only an unusual

points, causing small streams to do much

River railways are also badly washed out.

Advices from Clarksburg and Grafton re-

port cloud-bursts at those places to-night

A dispatch from Caldwell, O., states that

the towns of Ava, Belle Valley, Dudley

Carlisle and other towns along the Musk-

A dispatch from Shawnee, O., states that

the branches of the Baltimore & Ohio rail-

& Hocking that enter the coal region are

washed out so that traffic is suspended, and

are thrown out of work. Some of the wash-

None of the towns in the mining regions

A dispatch from Sistersville, W. Va., says

that the damages in the oil fields will

amount to hundreds of thousands of dol-

lars. The riggings have been washed away,

ELK COMMITTEES.

Appointments by Meade D. Detwiler.

Grand Exalted Ruler.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 24.-Mead D

of the Benevolent and Protective Order of

Elks, to-day officially announced these ap-

grand inner guard, George Meyers, jr

Timberlake, New Albany, Ind.

McDermott, Columbus, O.

Pittsburg; grand chapiain, Rev. Dr. I. D.

Laws and Appeals-Thomas F. Turner

Canton, O.; James A. McHenry, Cumber-land, Md.; Willard C. Vanderlip, Boston.

Committee on Grievances-W. C. Mur-daugh, Portsmouth, Va.; W. F. Lansing,

Little Falls, N. Y.; George E. De Golla,

Committeee on Returns and Credential

-Charles M. Bedell, Syracuse, N. Y.; Har-

vey Meyers, Covington, Ky.; William H.

Committee on Charters-Robert W

Mitchell, Portland, Ore.; William Carns,

Pa.; J. K. Carmack, Atlantic

Grand esquire, Lew Clark, St. Louis;

the tanks and derricks overturned.

have any mails to-day.

mines closed and thousands of men

South Olive, East Union, Harrietsvill

ngum river are completely submerged.

CINCINNATI, July 24.-Later dis-

Bridges on the Ohio Central have

the merchants are moving from

We furnish TRAVELERS' Letters of Credit,

Available in all parts of the world.

Chambers's

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FIFTEEN OR TWENTY PEOPLE slides near Bairsville. There are four land DROWNED IN COLORADO.

Swept Away by a Solid Wall of Water Ten Feet High that Rushed Down

MORRISON, Col., July 24 .- A cloudburst in Bear Creek canyon, just above here, at 8 o'clock to-night brought down a solid did great damage to property but caused the loss of fifteen to twenty lives. The known dead are: Mrs. Miller and three or eighteen in number, who were living in a small house just out of town. Viola Foster, a little Denver girl, was with party, but was saved by people who heard her cries. This much has been learned on this side of the creek, but as all bridges are gone and the water is still high and swift nothing can be learned from the other side. Searching parties are out on both sides of the stream looking for bodies of dead and injured. It is feared there has been more loss of life, as there were scores of people camping along both sides of the creek, both above and below town. Wires are down in all directions except the telephone line to Leadville and heavy storms between here and there

threaten to break that.

RIVERS ARE SWOLLEN. And Causing Much Damage in Ohio, West Virginia and Elsewhere. CINCINNATI, O., July 24 .- Specials to the Commercial Tribune show damages all over West Virginia, eastern Kentucky and southern Ohlo from floods. At Parkersburg. W. Va., where the Little Kanawha empties into the Ohio, the lumbermen today suffered great damage. Railways, telegraph and telephone lines are damaged. The Ohio River road is washed out between Waverly and Moundsvills, also near SistersWille and Woodland. The loss in Tygart's Mont.; William H. Friday, Brooklyn, N. Y.

NOMINATED FOR VICE PRESIDENT BY THE POPULIST PARTY.

Sensational Outcome of the Bickering, Dickering and Wild Raving of the Past Week.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROADERS FIRMLY SEATED IN THE SADDLE.

port on Rules Defeated, 785 to 615, the First Test Vote.

USUAL PROGRAMME REVERSED

Nearly Six Hours Occupied Last Night in Naming Candidates for the Vice Presidency.

BUT WILL NOT ACCEPT.

His Name-Debs a Possibility-Text of the Platform.

ST. LOUIS, July 24.-Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, who was a member of the Fifty-first Congress, and who, in the Fiftysecond and Fifty-third Congresses unsuccessfully contested Colonel Black's seat, was nominated for Vive President by the Populist convention on the first ballot shortly after midnight. There were five other candidates-Sewall, of Maine; Page, of Virginia; A. L. Mumms, of Tennessee; Congressman Skinner, of North Carolina, and Colonel Burkitt, of Mississippi. The nomination was unanimous before the result of the roll call was announced. Mr. Bryan sent word to his supporters that he would not accept a nomination at the hands of the convention under these circumstances. He will stand

The Nomince. Thomas E. Watson, of Thomson, Ga. was born in Columbia county, Georgia, Sept. 5, 1856. He received a common-school | from education and was then sent to Mercer University, Macon, Ga. At the end of the sophomore year he left college for lack of funds and taught school two years. He read law for a few weeks under Judge W. R. McLaws, of Augusta, Can, and was adof the profession at Thomson, Ga., his old home, in November, 1876. He was a member of the Georgia Legislature in 1882-83; was Democratic elector for the State at large in 1888 and besides the practice of law has been and still is largely interested in farming. He was elected to the Fiftysecond Congress as a Democrat, re-5.456 votes against Anthony Republican. Mr. Watson served but one term in Congress, being succeeded in the Fifty-third by James C. C. Black, who was elected as a Democrat, receiving 17,772 against 12,333 votes received by Mr. Watson. who ran as the candidate for the People's party. Mr. Watson also ran as a Populist candidate for the Fifty-fourth Congress from the same district, but was again desewer bursted to-day, flooding the east end. | feated by Mr. Black. Watson's unique personality made him a conspicuous figure in the House of Representatives. He was a Thirty families have moved or gone updebater and took part in numerous hot parliamentary fights. In personal ap-D. railroad are in the river on account of pearance Watson is thin and angular, with

Nominate Bryan.

not to accept the Populist nomination for President in case of the rejection of Sewall was based on the following telegrams exchanged between Mr. Bryan and Senator J. K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic na-St. Louis, July 24.

To Wm. J. Bryan, Lincoln, Neb.: "The Populists will nominate Vice President first. If not Sewall, what shall we do? I favor your declination in that case. An-JAMES K. JONES. 'Chairman National Democratic Commit-

"Lincoln, Neb., July 24. To Senator J. K. Jones, Chairman National Democratic Committee. St. Louis: "I entirely agree with you. Withdraw my name if Sewall is not nominated.

"WM. J. BRYAN." Senator Jones declined when seen to express any opinion beyond that expressed in his telegram. He said that he had placed Mr. Bryan's dispatch in the hands road, Ohio Central, Columbus, Sandusky of friends at the convention, but that he had done nothing more towards withdrawing Mr. Bryan's name. He also said that outs on these railways are over a mile long. he had learned of the adoption of the minority report of the committee on rules and order of business reversing the usual routine and placing the nomination of the Vice President ahead of that of the President within a few minutes after the report was adopted. He immediately sent the telegram to Mr. Bryan and within an hour an answer from the Democratic candidate for President came back. It left no doubt as to the attitude of Mr. Bryan in the event of the failure of the convention to nominate Mr. Sewall as well as himself. Soon after he received the message Sen-Detwiler, of this city, grand exalted ruler ator Jones had a copy of it made and dispatched the original to Hon. T. M. Patter-

son, of Colorado, who was then at the was sent to Chairman Charles W. Lane,

lists from completing their work. He declined to say whether he thought Mr. Bryan might change his mind or to discuss the possibilities of the situation from any

Senator Jones said afterwards that he was firmly convinced that he had pursued the proper course in sending his dispatch, and that Mr. Bryan, as a self-respecting and honorable man, could have done no less than he had done in asking that his name should be withdrawn after it had been decided to sacrifice his companion on the ticket. Mr. Bryan's friends say that the dispatch is not necessarily a refusal of the nomination, but that it is simply a manly way of expressing his disapproval of the course decided upon with reference to Mr. Sewall.

The Populistic supporters of Mr. Bryan

express regret that the telegrams were

written, and say that if the Populistic

convention had been allowed to succeed

with its plan it would have been an easy

tween the vice-presidential candidates. There is talk of an effort to secure Mr. Watson's declination of the nomination. It is understood since the adjournment that an effort will be made to secure Bryan's consent to accept the nomination. The middle-of-the-road men say that with Bryan out of the way, the fight will narrow to Norton, of Illinois, and Debs, of Indiana, About the hotels to-night there is a general impression prevailing that the declination of Bryan will probably make Norton, of Chicago, a very likely nominee for President. Many of the Bryan men are talking in that way and say he will be the most satisfactory candidate which can be named and the leaders of the silver men are bitterly disappointed and say that it would have been fortunate if the wires between Lincoln and St. Louis had not been in working order. The leaders, those who have been in attendance upon the silver convention, are hopeful that some adjustment can yet be made. There is talk that Sewall, if he realizes the situation, may withdraw from the Democratic ticket. and it is claimed that he must withdraw before any nomination can be made tomorrow, but this is only a shadowy hope. The silver men think the Populists, and even many of the supporters of Bryan in the convention, will look upon the telegrams that passed between Chairman Jones and Mr. Bryan as a "bluff" or an attempt to coerce the convention, and that the declination of Mr. Bryan in the face of the small vote which Sewall received in the convention will make it impossible for Mr. Bryan to be nominated, even if he should decide to reconsider his declination It is also stated that a reconsideration would place him in little better light for he could not now command the strength

Many of the Delegates Want . the

he once had among the delegates to the

Populist convention. The middle-of-the-road men, flushed with victory and now

having a better organization than they had

a day or two ago, will make a strong fight for a straight ticket, for which they have

Hoosier Chosen for President. ST. LOUIS, July 25 .- At 1 o'clock this morning the corridors of the Lindell Hotel mate before the completion of the roll call who were anxious to head the ticket with the tail they had just selected, and then cast around for another tail. Georgia and portion of the Texas, Wisconsin and Illinois delegations were shouting for Eugene V. Debs for President, while others declared that the convention should declare for Bryan regardless of his official acceptance or refusal to accept the nomina-tion of the "new Urited Populist party," as they are styling themselves. The sentiment is not crystallized sufficiently to preconsiderable direction Indiana and prominent gates refused to permit the use of their names, wishing first to learn the senti ment of their respective delegations that are canvassing either officially or unoffi clally in secret. It seems certain that the loosier leader will show his hand in the councils to-night and that to-morrow his name will be on the roll call of the convention and the bulletin boards of the country to the surprise of many who up to adfournment who had not considered the

Proceedings.

ST. LOUIS, July 24.- The opposition to Sewall in the Populist convention practicalsession by making it impossible to prevent a division of the Chicago ticket. The leaders were powerless to check the strong feeling against the Bath shipbuilder and banker. They had carried the day in the committee on resolutions in framing a comparatively moderate platform, which they with ease. Their strategy was also skillditch, unmarked on the battlefield, which, the ditch was in open view. From the beginning it has gaped like a chasm athwart over, to-day for the first time the middlethat all hope of defeating Bryan's nominaefforts against Sewall. They did more They devised a cunning scheme by which the convention was forced to nominate the Vice President before the President. It them in advance, in the fear that, if Bryan were first nominated, the enthusiasm might break down the opposition to Sewall and

stampede a majority of the votes for the Nebraskan's running mate. When the proposition was made to change the regular order of the nomination the Bryan men strained every nerve to prevent it. They even pleaded. Jerry Simpson, on behalf of Kansas, went so far as to intimate that the vote of the Sunflower State would be cast for a Southern man for Vice President if the regular order was not reversed. When the roll was called they rallied every vote at their command. Senator Butler, of North Carolina, was a powerful ally with the ninety-five votes of the old North State behind him and Congressman Skinner, the chairman of the delegation, cast the solid vote of the State against the change. When the vote was figured up, however, and he ascertained that there was a majority of twenty-six in favor of the opposipretty theatrical exhibition from Mr. Skinner, the vote of the delegation was cast for the proposition and the antis emerged This made the defeat of Sewail and the nomination of a Populist for Vice President certain. After that the conference of the joint committee of the two convenions could come to nothing and the silver convention promptly nominated Bryan and ewall and adjourned sine die

The anti-Bryan men, although they presented a minority platform demanding an irredeemable paper currency and crowded with bitter denunciation of the Democratic and Republican parties, did not attempt to press it after their victory. The majority report, which is moderate and contains few radical propositions, such as a demand turned out at Convention hall, the Senator | ment of ownership of the railroads and for direct legislation, though the initiative and

GOLD DEMOCRATS TO ASSEMBLE IN INDIANAPOLIS NEXT MONTH,

And Perfect Arrangements for Holding a National Convention and Nominating a Ticket.

ACTION OF THE CONFERENCE

matter to arrange an understanding be-REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE NAMED however, that in all the tickets which AT THURSDAY NIGHT'S SESSION.

> Democrats Favorable to the Sound-Money Cause Asked to Select a Committeeman in Each State.

THEY ARE TO MEET HERE AUG. 7

AND ISSUE A FORMAL CALL FOR THE GOLD STANDARD CONVENTION.

Chicago, Detroit and Minneapolis Anxious for the Honor of Entertaining the Delegates.

INDIANAPOLIS ALSO A BIDDER

NECESSARY FUNDS WILL BE PRO-VIDED BY HOOSIERS.

W. D. Bynum Appointed on the Executive Committee and John R. Wilson on National Committee.

CHICAGO, July 24.-The gold-standard Democrats will hold a national convenwere filled with excited delegates and inter- | delegates will be selected, remains to be ested spectators. The convention had just | decided. The national committee, in whose adjourned amid scenes of darkness and hands will be left the selection of the confusion, the former on account of the place of holding the convention, will meet failure of the electric lights and the latter in Indianapolis, Aug. 7. The question of owing to the almost universal opinion that | the representation of States will be de-Bryan would not accept the nomination for | cided by an executive committee of five, President after the defeat of his running | which will be selected from the national committee at its Indianapolis meeting. The us now, was the cry of the Texas shouters, on these matters to-day and the States represented were:

> Indiana-John R. Wilson. Iowa-Henry Vollmer. Ohio-S. H. Holding. Michigan-W. R. Snelby. Kentucky-G. M. Davie. Missouri-L. C. Krauthoff. Wisconsin-W. F. Vilas and Gen. F. S.

Illinois-Henry S. Robbins. Nebraska-Fred W. Vaughan. The hour set for the meeting of the com-

mittee was 10 o'clock, but all the members

decided to proceed at once with the business in hand. General Bragg was selected chairman, and the committee, after locking the doors against the press and public, discussed the signation for three hours. That a radical difference of opinion exists as to the methods to be adopted in the furtherance of the common interest was shown by the fact that majority and minority reports were evolved from the deliberations. The majority report, which was adopted by the larger conference at its adjourned session, provides for the holding of a national convention of soundmoney Democrats not later than Sept. 2,

and reads in full as follows: "Your committee recommends the adop-tion of the following resolutions, in view of the revolutionary action of the recent Chicago convention, its repudiation of all Democratic platforms and principles and ts condemnation of the national Demo-

"First-That it is the sense of this con-ference, composed of Democrats from Illi-Missouri, Michigan, Texas, Iowa, Minneand Nebraska, that a thoroughly sound and patriotic declaration of Democratic principles be enunciated and that candidates for President and Vice President in accord therewith be nominated. cond-That the Democrats in the sev-

eral States who are in sympathy with the recommendation and unalterably sed to the declarations and tendencies of the Chicago platform be requested to arrange for a member of a national Demo-

thus selected meet in the city of Indianapolis on Friday, the seventh day of August, at 2 o'clock p. m., 1896, for the purose of issuing a formal call for a national Democratic convention to be held not later han the second day of September, 1896, at such place and to be constituted and convened in such manner as said national committee may determine.

"Fourth-That an executive committee of conference, of which he shall be one, with authority and directions to name a suitable for the purpose of selecting members of | my opinions such committee, or if no committeemen be selected in any State in time for said committee meeting to designate a member to represent such State temporarily." The report was signed by Edward S

Bragg, chairman, and George M. Davis, A committee of two-Henry S. Robbins, of Chicago, and W. D. Bynum, of Indianawas appointed to open headquarters in Chi-

cago and begin an aggressive hard-money campaign. The committee then adjourned. Later in the day Chairman Bragg announced the names of the committee of five, provided for in the report; Gen. Edward S. Bragg, of Wisconsin; W. D. Bynum, of Indiana; H. S. Robbins, of Illinois; James O. Broadhead, of Missouri; W. B. Haldeman, of Kentucky

Six of the eleven States represented at the conference named their members of the provisional national committee as follows: Illinois, John M. Palmer; Indiana, John R. Wilson: Wisconsin, E. B. Usher: Missouri, L. E. Krauthoff; Minnesota, F. W. McCutcheon; Nebraska, Euclid Martin, The other States deferred the appointment

There is a vigorous rivalry between the cities, not less than four of them being contestants, for the honor of entertaining the gold-standard Democrats. Indianapolis telegraphed an offer to provide all necessary funds. The friends of Don M. Dickinson are working for Detroit. Minnethe northern city are seconded by St. Paul.

Auditorium meeting to-day. Texas was the last to appear, and the representative of represented at to-day's meeting and at last

exception, middle Western States, the news received to-day indicates, those in charge declare, that they will have good support

in all parts of the courtry.

The arrival of Controller Eckels, fresh from Washington, has done considerable to strengthen local gold-standard men. The as a dampener to some extent, but Eckels soon dried it out by his utterances, as the meeting believed that he is close to the feelings of the administration despite his declaration that politics had nothing to do with his present trip West. "I am just or my way to Ottawa," said the Controller of the Currency. "There is no politics in my visit at all. No. I am not the bearer of a message from President Cleveland. So far as a choice for presidential and vice-presidential candidates goes, I don't think he 16-T0-1 has made any expression. I know of no one who is likely to be made the repository of such a confidence. For myself, any sound Democrat is acceptable. It is an odd thing, speculation offers us, one name is almost invariably used. It is always Palmer and somebody. Palmer's name, by an almost universal choice, seems to be made a part of every suggested ticket. Sometimes it is

er and Hill, but it is always Palmer." Mr. Eckels and not remain in the city until the conference had completed its work, but took an early train for his home

Palmer and Gordon; sometimes it is Palm-

ACTION OF CITIZENS. Indianapolis Is After the Gold Demoeratic Convention.

Indianapolis is likely to become the storm cepter of the movement for a real Democratic national ticket, based upon the honest-money theory. The new national ference yesterday will meet here Aug. 7 and issue the call for the convention from this point. The next thing in order is to get the convention to meet in this city. As soon as it was learned yesterday that another convention would be called the Board of Trade and the Commercial Club set the ball rolling by sending telegrams to Gen. Bragg, chairman of the conference, inviting the convention to this city and giving assurance of ample facilities. This was followed by a joint telegram signed by the three sound-money newspapers, the banks, trust companies and telegraph companies of the city indorsing the invitation and

urging its acceptance. In the matter of hotel and telegraph facilities Indianapolis could accommodate a national convention right handsomely and Tomlison Hall could accommodate the delegates and about 2,500 spectators, but if the matter of a hall stands in the way there is ample time to construct one sufficient to hold the crowds. It is believed that the moral effect of holding the convention in this State would be good and ident and Arthur Sewall for Vice President for. The decision will lie with the national committee and when it meets here the Commercial Club will have prepared for its consideration complete statistics as to what the city can do in the way of entertaining large assemblages and will have something definite to present in the way of proposi-

tions regarding hall and guarantee. The certainty of an honest-money Democratic ticket in the field and the possibility of the convention being held here threw the silver leaders into something of a panic last night and they were discussing it from all points of view at the Grand Hotel. They do not like the probable effect in

Indiana a little bit. "It is hard to tell just what the effect in Indiana will be," said one of them last evening. "We had found that a good many Democrats who were kicking like smoke right after the Chicago convention were etting in shape to come around all right. They were saying that they couldn't swailow the Republican ticket and preferred Democracy gone wrong to Republicanism, even thought it might strike their views on one question. Wnether this movement for a third ticket will result in stopping this drifting back, I cannot say." It does not seem likely that the soundbe done in Illinois and some of the other States. The nomination of a national tickan aggressive campaign and for the orclubs throughout the State.

DENIED BY E. E. ANDERSON. He Didn't Say Gold Men Could Shoot Down Silverites.

CHICAGO, July 24.- The following telegram, signed E. Ellery Anderson, addressed to the Associated Press, was received here to-day from Banff, N. W. T .:

"I am informed that a number of Westcates of the free coinage of silver. I have just sent the following to the editor of Denver Republican, and I beg you to cause , the same to be inserted in a dispatch to your association:

"I have just been informed that in your | voters of the United States, issue of the 16th you attributed to me the use of the expression, 'Upon provocation we can shoot them down,' referring to advocates of free silver. I made use of no such language, and the error, which appeared in the New York World, was corrected in the issue of the following day. have a deep sympathy with the West and South, based on a conviction that the ditribution of the products of labor in this country does not award a just share to these sections. I oppose the free coin: of silver, because, in my judgment, it was intensify the burdens of the West and South instead of relieving them. I am a | was introduced. He had attested his loyfirm believer in the rule of the majority; dorsement of the people at the coming election, believe that its advocates should have the support of the whole people in carrying into effect laws which will give expression person in each State, where necessary, to to their views. The language attributed to take appropriate steps to cause State meet- me would be simply ludicrous if it had not ings to be held, with all convenient speed | been referred to as a serious expression of

> BELMONT IS A BOLTER. Hopes a Gold Democrat Will Be Nomi-

nated. NEW YORK, July 24 .- Former Congress-

man Percy Belmont issued a formal report to-day to his constituents explaining his action at Chicago in resisting the adoption of a free-coinage plank in the Democratic platform. He says the proclaimed polwell as of the frequently expressed and well-known ideas of our own New York Democracy. I shall not presume to sug-My own conclusion is definite and fixed. t is to vote the electoral ticket which I hope will be in the field standing for a emocratic candidate for President in whose unflinching courage and loyalty to the gold unit of value as prescribed by the law of 1873 and to Democratic principles I can have the most implicit confidence.' He points out that the next Legislature in this State will elect a Senator, and suggests that the same conditions apply to the election of members of the Legislature as Congressmen and President.

Lord Farrer's Views.

LONDON, July 25 .- Lord Farrer, formerly secretary of the Board of Trade, has Eleven States were represented in the freed the question from a haze and have assembled hereby adopts the following royed that the ratio is the real essence night's conference were almost, without has brought this truth to the front."

Whitney interview from New York acted | CONVENTION OF SILVER MINE OWN-ERS HAS ADJOURNED.

> As Expected, It Turned Out to Be Merely a "National" Democratic Ratification Meeting.

PLATFORM ADOPTED

AND BRYAN AND SEWALL "NOMI-NATED" BY ACCLAMATION.

Formal Indorsement Abandoned in Order to Conform with Provisions

of State Ballot Laws.

WAVE OF "WILD" ENTHUSIASM

DELEGATES AND VISITORS TESTED THEIR LUNGS FOR TEN MINUTES.

committee provided for at the Chicago con- | Cut Up the Usual Convention Capers, Sung the Doxology and them

SPEECH BY SENATOR STEWART

AND A SENSATIONAL INVOCATION BY JUDGE SCOTT, OF OMAHA.

Poll of Old Soldiers Taken to Show Their Sentiment on the Silver Question-Conference Resolution.

ST. LOUIS, July 24 .- The national Silver party's convention to-day adopted a 16-to-1 platform, nominated W. J. Brvan for Pres-

and then adjourned. It was 10:41 o'clock when Chairman St. John called the convention to order this morning. Rev. Dr. Covert led in prayer, after which G. W. Baker, of California, took the floor. He said the People's party convention had appointed a conference committee and moved that the convention defer action on the platform and postpone the nomination of a ticket until 3:30 this afternoon. The motion prevailed. A motion that when the convention adjourn it

adjourn until 3 p. m. also prevailed. After a number of delegates had spoken on the silver question, Senator Stewart, of Nevada, was called for. He said he went to Chicago with little hope that a freesilver platform would be adopted and he was agreeably disappointed. Never was there a more patriotic band of men on this earth than was the 620 delegates who controlled the Chicago convention. Wall street was there with corruption fund, but it was of no use. The silver delegates were not corruptible. They gave the enemy no quarter. All the candidates for President were there; had their headquarters at every hotel, and accompanied with music and parades, as is usual on such occasions. money people will put a separate State Continuing, he told how the pratform was ticket in Indiana, though this will probably adopted and other incidents of the Democratic campaign. At length he spoke of the et will give the opportunity for making | nomination of W. J. Bryan, who was not a candidate. At the mention of Bryan's name the delegates shouted and cheered, flourished umbrellas and flags. Senator Stewart then told of Bryan's convention speech which, he said, was the greatest oration in history. "I know William J. Bryan," the Senator went on. "He is as rue to his principles as a needle to the pole, He was not a Democrat in good regular standing, having said time and time again that if the Democratic party adopted a ern papers have copied an erroneous inter- gold platform he would not support it. In view aileged to have been held with me, in | conclusion Senator Stewart said that every which I am made to use the expression. free-silver man was an American. Every one of them must come to the front and vote as a unit and elect a free-silver ticket. They must do this in spite of the millions raised by gold bugs to corrupt the

> Judge Scott, of Omaha, was called to the platform and in addressing the convention he said: "Oh, God, send pestilence and disease, and vermin, and war, and famine, if you will, but, in Thy providence Ch. God, deliver us from another four years of oppression under Grover Cleveand." At the conclusion of his speech h eslied for three cheers for Bryan, which After a vote of thanks to Miss Mitchell General McIver, an ex-Confederate office alty to silver, he said, by resigning from the consular service under Cleveland. cause of the President's gold policy. He appealed for a union of the forces of the

silver men and was given three cheers as Under a resolution adopted yesterday the roll of States was called to find out how many of the old soldiers occupied seats as delegates. The poll showed 196 Union vet-erans, 18 Confederate veterans and 4 Mexican veterans. During the roll call an nouncement was made by Mrs. Helen M Gougar, of Indiana, to the effect that there would be a meeting of women at the Lin-dell to-day to organize a Woman's National

A resolution offered by Mr. Towne, from Minnesota, that "when this convention has completed the membership of the nations committee so far as it can do so, the said committee shall have power to fill any vacancies that remain or that may hereafter occur," was laid over until afternoon. The convention then adjourned un-

The delegates as usual came together lowly for the afternoon session, and at the nor were any of the officers present. It was nearly to'clock before the attendance assumed its usual appearance. Spectators were slightly more numerous than at previous sessions. At 3:55 p. m. Chairman John rapped for order and introd the Rev. Mr. Haggerty, who made th

opening prayer. Baker was called on for a report from the was too short to reach a satisfactory coclusion. There were not more than on hundred men in the conference and only two hours in which to discuss the meth to be pursued. He read the resolution which was adopted at the conference. On motion of Mr. Turner, of Kansas, the re-

The Platform.

platform reads as follows: "The National Silver party in convention declaration of principle

"First-The paramount issue at this tim the Lone Star State was heartly cheered would receive no support. The cause of money question. It is between the gold when he took his place. While the States common honesty. It is the merit of the one side, and the bimetallic standard, no present struggle in the United States that bonds and government currency on the

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a Canyon-Damage by Floods.

Democratic Faction's Majority Re-

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Senator Jones Notified to Withdraw

loyally by his running mate. city are washed out, none being able to get trains into the city. At Ashland, Ky., Zanesviile & Cincinnati railroad suffered

> clean shaven face of intellectual caste and a thick mop of auburn hair.

WILL NOT ACCEPT. Populists Will Waste Time if They ST. LOUIS, July 24.- The report that Mr. Bryan had announced his determination

more damage than during any of the highest floods ever known in those localities River railroad is blockaded by long landslides on this road between Sistersville and Cochransville and four trains are tied up by them. The Fairmount, Morgans town & Pittsburg railway, the West Virswer quick. the Roaring Creek & Charleston, Dry Fork, Grafton & Bellington, the WestVir-ginia & Pittsburg and the Monongahela

being instrumental in having the lights

replied that he was sorry the lights were

been contending from the first. BOOM FOR DEBS.

name of Debs even as a possibility. ROUT OF BRYANITES. Story in Brief of the Day and Night

ly swamped the Bryan forces at the day fully displayed at other points, but the intense undercurrent of feeling against Sewall was fatal to them. It was a sunken clutching with its muddy fingers at the leon and his eagles at Waterloo. To-day the path of the Bryan managers. In vain they attempted to bridge it over. Moreof-the-road element displayed generalship worthy of the name. Recognizing the fact was an unprecedented thing, but it served to mass the votes in favor of a Populist candidate for Vice President and uncover

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